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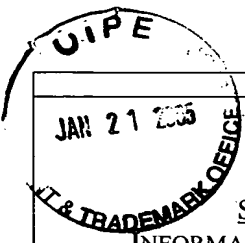
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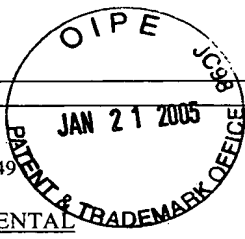
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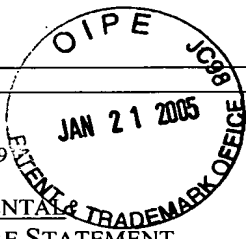
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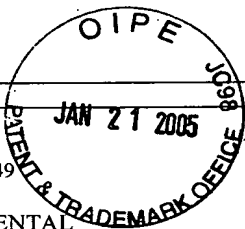
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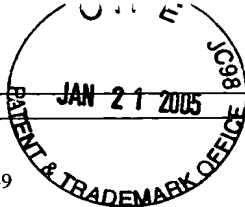
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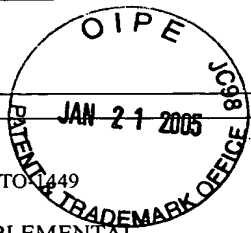
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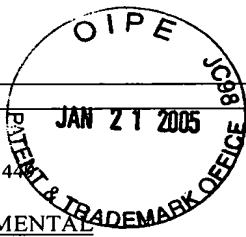
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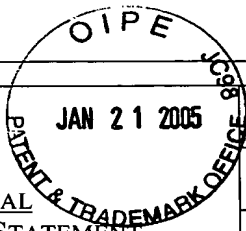
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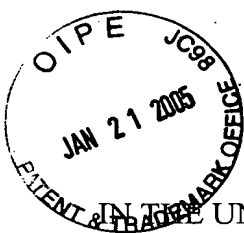
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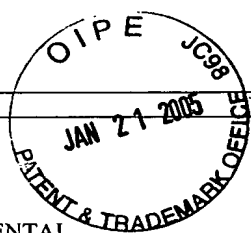
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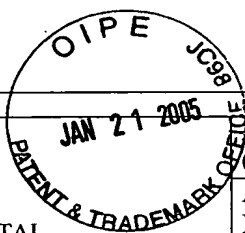
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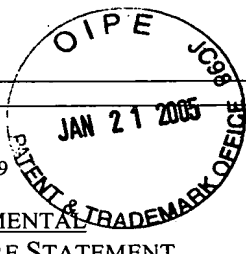
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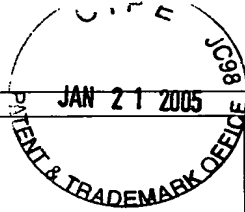
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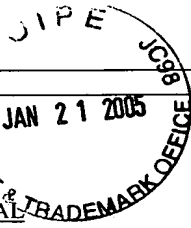
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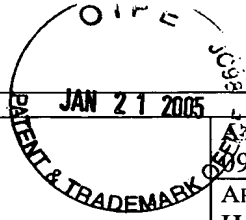
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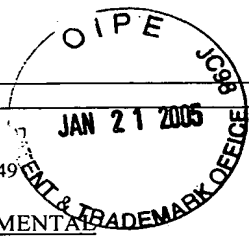
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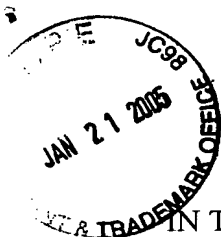
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Eighth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Listed on accompanying Form PTO-1449 are documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98.

The numbering on this Eighth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is a continuation of the numbering in Applicants' Seventh Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed herewith, in connection with the above-captioned application.

Copies of documents **AF20** and **AG20** are not provided in accordance with the Changes To Support Implementation of the United States Patent and Trademark Office 21st Century Strategic Plan, effective October 21, 2004, which states "section 1.98(a)(2)(i) is amended to eliminate the requirement in paragraph (a)(2)(i) for a copy of each U.S. patent or U.S. patent application publication listed in an IDS in a patent application regardless of the filing date of the application." A copy of each other document is provided.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3), Applicants' undersigned representative submits the following, in regards to non-English language documents **AL20** and **AM20** cited on Form PTO 1449:

Document **AL20**, French Patent Publication No. FR 2 670 502, is in the French language. Document **AM20**, PCT Patent Publication No. WO 92/10577, is in the French language. An unverified English language abstract of documents **AL20** and **AM20** is attached as document **AS213**.

Where the publication date of a listed document does not provide a month of publication, the year of publication of the listed document is sufficiently earlier than the effective U.S. filing date and any foreign priority date so that the month of publication is not in issue. Applicants have listed publication dates on the attached Form PTO-1449 based on information presently available to the undersigned. However, the listed publication dates should not be construed as an admission that the information was actually published on the date indicated.

Applicants reserve the right to establish the patentability of the claimed invention over any of the information provided herewith, and/or to prove that this information may not be prior art, and/or to prove that this information may not be enabling for the teachings purportedly offered.

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It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449, and indicate in the official file wrapper of this patent application that the documents have been considered.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

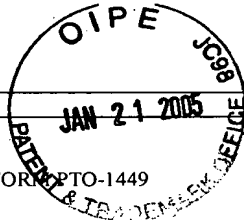
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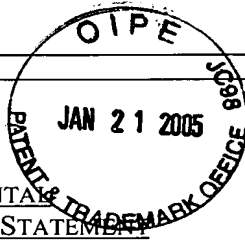
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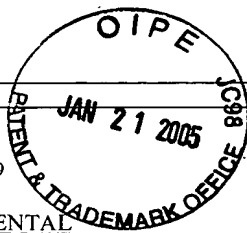
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